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MEMO TO: FILE RE: STORM SEWER DISCHARGE POINT BEHIND
CHEMICAL RECOVERY

CC: Richard J. Bergman, Safety-Service Director
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FROM: Ernest G. Bartha, City Chemist

SUBJECT: Organic solvents being discharged to the Black River.

PRESENT: Vince Howard, Inspector, Fire Prevention Bureau
Frank Janeshesky, Fire Department
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William Fullgrabe, Asst. City Engineer
Greg Worcester, Asst. City Chemist
Bill Dobbins, Lab Technician, Elyria Health Dept.

DISCUSSION:

- A. Inspector Howard obtained explosive reading on the Explosive Meter from the atmosphere by the vacuum draw-off near the storage tanks.
- B. A sample was taken from the storm sewer discharge point behind Chemical Recovery under normal conditions.
- C. The Fire Dept. then flushed out the storm sewer system by flushing water thru the manhole on the old combination sewer in front of 142 Locust Street just South of the curve in the sewer. Samples were collected from the discharge point behind Chemical Recovery just as the flow started increasing from the flushing.
- D. A sample was collected from the river where it appeared a type of solvent was bubbling up from the river bottom.